

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Please amend claims 1, 4-6, 8-9, 12-13, 15-16, 18 and 20 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for enabling a traveler to order a printed publication from public transport facilities ~~and~~ while traveling to the traveler's destination, comprising:

providing a traveler access to a catalog from which publications can be selected, wherein the catalog is located on-board a vessel or in a terminal waiting area, and wherein the traveler can review ordering information about available publications; and

providing an electronic interface having a network connection to a print on demand ~~system~~ facilities, said electronic interface providing a means from which the traveler can select and order ~~the~~ preparation of at least one publication for pick-up by the traveler at a destination ~~also~~ selected by the traveler, wherein the destination selected by the traveler may include an en-route stop destination and wherein the electronic interface is located on-board the vessel or in the terminal waiting area, and wherein the selection and ordering can occur while the traveler is awaiting travel, en-route on public transportation, or preparing to disembark public transportation wherein the print on demand system performs the printing and binding of the at least one publication ~~and binding of the at least one publication block.~~

2. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the catalog can be made available in printed form.

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3. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the traveler can preview available publication selections in the catalog.
4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein ~~preview and selection can be provided through an~~ the electronic interface includes including at least one of a land based kiosk, an on-board data communication system ~~communications systems~~ or a wireless data appliance.
5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
automatically providing the at least one publication ~~selection~~ electronically to ~~a production facility near the destination selected by the traveler, wherein the selection is produced by the print on demand system.~~
6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 5 wherein the catalog can be made available in printed form or electronically to the electronic interface through the ~~communications~~ network.
7. (Original) The method of claim 5 wherein the traveler can preview available publication selections in the catalog.
8. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 5 wherein ~~preview and selection can be provided through an~~ the electronic interface includes including at least one of a land based kiosk, an on-board data communication system ~~communications systems~~ or a wireless data appliance.
9. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 5, ~~further comprising:~~
~~automatically scheduling physical distribution of the selection at a pick-up facility at the destination selected by the traveler, wherein the~~ at least one publication ~~selection~~ is made available to the traveler through on-site authentication

of the traveler's identity at a the pick-up facility wherein the pick-up facility includes one of the following: a terminal based store, a specialized vending machine, a terminal based kiosk, or a location near the traveler's arrival gate.

10. (Original) The method of claim 9 wherein the catalog can be made available in printed form or electronically to the electronic interface through the communications network.

11. (Original) The method of claim 9 wherein the traveler can preview available publication selections in the catalog.

12. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 9 wherein preview and selection can be provided through an electronic interface including at least one of a land based kiosk, an on-board data communication system ~~communications systems~~ or a wireless data appliance and wherein the at least one publication may include one of the following: only selected chapters of a book or several publications in a single, bound publication.

13. (Currently Amended) A method for automatically producing a publication, comprising:

receiving an electronic order for a publication over an electronic network from a traveler using a remote electronic interface wherein the remote electronic interface is located on-board a vessel or in a terminal waiting area;

producing the publication using a print on demand system located near a destination selected by the traveler for pick-up of the publication wherein the printing and binding of the publication and a publication cover ~~and the binding of the publication block~~ is performed by the print on demand system; and

distributing the publication to a pick-up facility located at the destination selected by the traveler for pick-up of the publication wherein the pick-up facility

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includes one of the following: a terminal based store, a specialized vending machine, a terminal based kiosk, or a location near the traveler's arrival gate.

14. (Original) The method of claim 13 wherein a catalog can be made available electronically to the traveler through the remote electronic interface.

15. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 14 wherein publication preview and selection can be provided to the traveler through the remote electronic interface which can include at least one of a land based kiosk, an on-board data communication system ~~communications systems~~ or a wireless data appliance.

16. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13 wherein the traveler can preview available publication selections in a printed catalog prior to providing the electronic order over the electronic network using the remote electronic interface.

17. (Original) The method of claim 13, further comprising:

providing the publication to the traveler at the destination selected for pick-up by the traveler upon authentication of at least one of the traveler's identity, a passcode or a receipt.

18. (Currently Amended) A system for automatically producing a publication comprising:

a server connected to an electronic network for receiving a publication order ~~orders~~ from a traveler ~~travelers~~ using an electronic interface for submitting the order ~~orders~~ to the server wherein the electronic interface is located on-board a vessel and in a terminal waiting area;

a database containing publications available for purchase selection by the traveler ~~travelers~~; and

at least one print on demand system located near a pick-up destination
~~destinations~~ that can be selected by the traveler ~~travelers~~ for obtaining the
purchase selection wherein the publication is available at a pick-up facility includes
one of the following: a terminal based store, a specialized vending machine, a
terminal based kiosk, or a location near the traveler's arrival gate.

19. (Original) The system of claim 18, further comprising means for the
authentication of at least one of the traveler's identity, a passcode or a receipt.

20. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 18 wherein the electronic interface
includes a land based kiosk ~~kiosks~~, an on-board data communication system
~~communications systems~~ or a wireless data appliance ~~appliances~~.